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SUBJECT: ENDANGERED SPECIES - HONG KONG IVORY RESERVATION

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1. IN DIPLOMATIC NOTE DATED MARCH 20, 1978, BRITISH
EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT HONG KONG
INTENDS TO WITHDRAW ITS RESERVATION REGARDING THE LISTING
OF THE AFRICAN ELEPHANT ON APPENDIX II OF THE CONVENTION
ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD
FAUNA AND FLORA. FYI. APPENDIX II LISTS SPECIES WHICH
PARTIES JUDGE MAY BECOME THREATENED WITH EXTINCTION
UNLESS TRADE IN THEM IS SUBJECT TO STRICT REGULATION.
END FYI.

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2. BRITISH NOTE ADDED THAT HONG KONG GOVERNMENT HAS
INITIATED THE NECESSARY LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE TO GIVE
EFFECT TO RESERVATION'S WITHDRAWAL AND THAT, WHEN THIS
PROCESS IS COMPLETED, HONG KONG WILL IMPLEMENT IMPORT
AND EXPORT ARRANGEMENTS ON AFRICAN IVORY IN FULL ACCORD-
ANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF CONVENTION. REQUEST STATUS RE-

PORT ON PROGRESS OF THIS LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE AND ON
OUTLOOK FOR RESERVATION WITHDRAWAL'S BECOMING OFFICIAL. CHRISTOPHER

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